indigenous construction of two submarines at Mazagaon Dock Limited, Mumbai. There is a proposal for import of two submarines from Russia. The discussions with Russian authorities are in progress.

Delay in payment of salary to employees of Race Course Air Force School

4145. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:
SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Air Force School, Race Course, New Delhi under the management of Indian Air Force, has not paid salary to its employees for the last few months;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have taken any action for this lapse on the part of the concerned officials; and

(d) if not, by when action is proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU): (a) and (b) No, Sir. Salary is regularly being paid to the staff of Air Force School, Race Course, New Delhi. At times, some delay may takes place in disbursement of salaries on account of delay in release of grant by Directorate of Education, Delhi Government.

(c) and (d) The delay is not attributable to the Air Force management of the school.

Indo-Russian deal on Air Defence System

4146. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:
SHRI MUKESH R. PATEL:
SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA':

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finalised a deal with Russia on obtain an Air Defence System;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are aware of the performance of this defence system;

(d) the number of countries are using this system and the performance report; and

(e) the terms of payment for this system?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

Export subsidy to Goa Shipyard Limited

4147. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Goa Shipyard Limited has sought export subsidy to become price-competitive against Chinese Shipyards in the $ 1 billion market for small and medium vessels in East Asia;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal and implications thereof;

(c) Government's reaction thereto;

(d) the details of the action taken thereon and present status of the proposal; and

(e) the details of the small and medium vessels manufactured and exported during the last three years and targets for 1997-98;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU): (a) to (d) It is